

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF FILING

DOCKET NO. 2008-117-E

Joint Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation and Saluda River Electric Cooperative, Inc. to Amend the Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Convenience and Necessity for Catawba Nuclear Station

Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("Duke Energy Carolinas"), Saluda River Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Saluda River") and North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation ("NCEMC"), pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-33-110 and other applicable rules, regulations and statutes, have filed with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("the Commission") a Joint Application for approval to amend the Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Convenience and Necessity ("Certificate") of the Catawba Nuclear Station to reflect the transfer of Saluda River's interest in the Catawba Nuclear Station to Duke Energy Carolinas and NCEMC. More specifically, according to the Joint Application, Duke Energy Carolinas and NCEMC, after arms-length negotiation, reached separate agreements with Saluda River to each purchase a portion of Saluda River's interest in Catawba Nuclear Station. A copy of the Asset Purchase Agreements was filed with the Joint Application.

The Joint Application reveals that Duke Energy Carolinas is a public utility organized and existing as a limited liability company under the laws of the State of North Carolina and domesticated in the State of South Carolina. NCEMC is an "electric membership corporation" organized and existing under Article 2 of Chapter 117 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, with offices in Raleigh, North Carolina. Saluda River is an electric cooperative organized pursuant to the Rural Electric Cooperative Act, Title 33, Chapter 49 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina.

A copy of the Joint Application can be obtained from the Commission at the following address: Public Service Commission of South Carolina, Docketing Department, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210. Additionally, the Joint Application is available on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov and is available from Frank R. Ellerbe, III, Esquire, Robinson, McFadden and Moore, PC, Post Office Box 944, Columbia, South Carolina 29202; Jeremy C. Hodges, Esquire, Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough, LLP, 1320 Main Street, Meridian, 17th Floor, Columbia, South Carolina 29201 and Steven W. Hamm, Esquire, Richardson Plowden & Robinson, Post Office Drawer 7788, Columbia, South Carolina 29202.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission at the above address, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Joint Application. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **May 2, 2008**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2008-117-E.***

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing, if scheduled, should notify the Docketing Department in writing at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, at 1441 Main Street, Suite 300, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; and Frank R. Ellerbe, Esquire; Jeremy C. Hodges, Esquire and Steven W. Hamm, Esquire at the above addresses, on or before **May 2, 2008**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2008-117-E.***

Any person, who wishes to be notified of the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below on or before **May 2, 2008**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2008-117-E.***

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100.

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